

## PROMOTIONS IN THE MARINE-HOSPITAL SERVICE.

P. A. Surg. Louis L. Williams, of South Carolina, to be a surgeon in the Marine-Hospital Service of the United States.

P. A. Surg. William J. Pettus, of Virginia, to be a surgeon in the Marine-Hospital Service of the United States.

Asst. Surg. Hugh S. Cumming, of Virginia, to be a passed assistant surgeon in the Marine-Hospital Service of the United States.

Asst. Surg. Joseph B. Greene, of Alabama, to be a passed assistant surgeon in the Marine-Hospital Service of the United States.

## APPOINTMENTS IN THE REVENUE-CUTTER SERVICE.

First Lieut. Owen S. Willey, of Louisiana, to be a captain in the Revenue-Cutter Service of the United States.

Benjamin L. Brockway, of Alabama, to be a third lieutenant in the Revenue-Cutter Service of the United States.

## PROMOTIONS IN THE ARMY.

## General officers.

## TO BE BRIGADIER-GENERALS.

Ccl. Samuel B. M. Young, Third United States Cavalry (brigadier-general, United States Volunteers), January 2, 1900.

Lieut. Col. Arthur MacArthur, assistant adjutant-general, United States Army (major-general, United States Volunteers), January 2, 1900.

Lieut. Col. William Ludlow, Corps of Engineers, United States Army (brigadier-general, United States Volunteers), January 21, 1900.

## APPOINTMENTS IN THE VOLUNTEER ARMY.

To be major-general by brevet, to rank from June 19, 1899.

Brig. Gen. Lloyd Wheaton, United States Volunteers, for conspicuous gallantry in action against insurgent forces near Imus, Philippine Islands, June 19, 1899.

## General officer.

## TO BE MAJOR-GENERAL.

Brig. Gen. John C. Bates, United States Volunteers, January 2, 1900.

## NAVAL OFFICER OF CUSTOMS.

John Webre, of Louisiana, to be naval officer of customs for the port of New Orleans, in the State of Louisiana.

## SURVEYOR OF CUSTOMS.

Charles J. Robb, of Indiana, to be surveyor of customs for the port of Michigan City, in the State of Indiana.

## COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS.

John A. Thornton, of Louisiana, to be collector of customs for the district of Teche, in the State of Louisiana.

## POSTMASTERS.

Albert Weed, to be postmaster at Ticonderoga, in the county of Essex and State of New York.

N. H. Ingersoll, to be postmaster at Brainerd, in the county of Crow Wing and State of Minnesota.

Charles C. White, to be postmaster at Orono, in the county of Penobscot and State of Maine.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, January 4, 1900.

The House met at 12 o'clock. Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. HENRY N. COUDEN, D. D.

The Journal of yesterday's proceedings was read and approved.

## SWEARING IN OF A MEMBER.

Mr. GILLET of New York appeared and took the oath of office required by law.

## ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I move that when the House adjourn to-day it adjourn to meet on Monday next.

The motion was agreed to.

## RESOLUTION OF INQUIRY REGARDING NATIONAL BANKS.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to present the following report from the Committee on Ways and Means.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from New York presents the following privileged report from the Committee on Ways and Means, which the Clerk will read.

Mr. SULZER. Mr. Speaker, I ask for order, please.

The SPEAKER. The point is well taken, and the House will be in order.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, directed to furnish the House of Representatives as soon as possible with the following information:

1. All letters, agreements, papers, or documents between the Treasury Department of the United States, or any person connected therewith, and the

National City Bank and the Hanover National Bank, of the city of New York, or any person acting for them or either of them, since the 4th day of March, 1897, relating to the depositing of public funds, bonds, or revenues in said bank or banks, or any other relations or business transactions now existing or heretofore had between the Government and the said banks or either of them.

2. The amount of public money, bonds, or revenue deposited with said banks or either of them by the Government, for what length of time, and the reasons therefor, and whether said banks or either of them have paid the Government any interest on said deposits, and if so, how much, and all other information concerning the same or in any way relating thereto.

With the following amendments, and with the recommendation that the resolution as amended be adopted.

1. After the word "Resolved," in line 1, strike out the words "by the House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled."

2. In line 2, page 1, strike out "directed" and insert "requested."

3. In line 3, page 1, strike out the words "as soon as possible with."

4. In line 4, page 1, insert, after the word "first," the words "Copies of."

5. In line 15, page 1, after the word "them," insert the words "or with any national bank."

6. In line 1, page 2, after the word "Government," insert the words "upon what security."

7. In line 2, page 2, strike out "either" and insert "any."

Add at the end of the resolution:

"3. And also the date of the sale of the customs-house property of the United States in New York City to said National City Bank, the date of the execution of the deed thereto, the date and manner of payment of the purchase money therefor, the disposition of the proceeds of said sale, and whether or not the Government has paid any rents for said property or any portion thereof for any purpose since the day of sale, and if so, to whom, and all facts relating to said transaction."

Mr. McRAE. Mr. Speaker, I hope the Clerk will read the resolution as it will read when amended.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Arkansas asks for the reading of the resolution as amended.

Mr. PAYNE. I think the paper I send to the desk will help the Clerk, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will report the resolution as it will be when amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby is, requested to furnish the House of Representatives the following information:

First. Copies of all letters, agreements, papers, or documents between the Treasury Department of the United States, or any person connected therewith, and the National City Bank and the Hanover National Bank, of the city of New York, or any person acting for them, or either of them, since the 4th day of March, 1897, relating to the depositing of public funds, bonds, or revenues in said bank or banks, or any other relations or business transactions now existing or heretofore had between the Government and the said banks, or either of them.

Second. The amount of public money, bonds, or revenue deposited with said banks, or either of them, or with any national bank, by the Government, upon what security, for what length of time, and the reasons therefor, and whether said banks, or any of them, have paid the Government any interest on said deposits, and if so, how much, and all other information concerning the same or in any way relating thereto.

Third. And also the date of the sale of the customs-house property of the United States in New York City to said National City Bank, the date of the execution of the deed thereto, the date and manner of payment of the purchase money therefor, the disposition of the proceeds of said sale, and whether or not the Government has paid any rents for said property or any portion thereof for any purpose since the day of sale; and, if so, to whom, and all facts relating to said transaction.

Mr. SULZER. Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER. The gentlemen from New York has the floor.

Mr. PAYNE. Does my colleague desire any time?

Mr. SULZER. Mr. Speaker, as the introducer of the original resolution I accept the amendments. I do not desire to debate the matter now. I am anxious the resolution should pass so that we can speedily get all the facts.

Mr. PAYNE. Well.

The SPEAKER. The question is on agreeing to the amendments.

Mr. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker—

Mr. PAYNE. There is a clerical error in the third part of the resolution. It reads "customs-house." The letter "s" should be stricken out.

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the correction will be made. There was no objection.

Mr. RICHARDSON. I hope the gentleman will yield me five minutes. I want to yield to the gentleman from New York.

Mr. PAYNE. I yield five minutes to the gentleman from Tennessee.

Mr. LEVY. Allow me to offer the following amendment, which I think will be germane:

That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to report to the House of Representatives his reasons for the delay in making such deposits in the national banks until a financial panic had been reached.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, that perhaps may be in order when this resolution is passed, after we get the information from the Secretary of the Treasury, but not until then. I shall not yield for an amendment of that kind.

Mr. RICHARDSON. The gentleman wants five minutes.

Mr. PAYNE. I yield five minutes to the gentleman.

Mr. LEVY. Mr. Speaker, in the month of September the reserve of the banks in the city of New York ran down. I warned the Secretary of the Treasury at that time. He failed to heed my warning until after this panic took place. The cause of all this depression in the city of New York and the United States has

been taxation and the absorption by the Treasury of the United States of the internal-revenue collections. If the Secretary of the Treasury had come to the relief of the banks in the month of September or October instead of buying bonds, there would have been no panic in this country. That is why I offer this amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair will say to the gentleman from New York that he can not offer this amendment on yielded time.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I move the previous question on the resolution and amendments.

The previous question was ordered.

The amendments were agreed to.

Mr. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, a parliamentary inquiry. Did I understand the gentleman from New York [Mr. PAYNE] to yield to his colleague [Mr. LEVY] for the purpose of offering an amendment?

Mr. PAYNE. No; I did not.

The resolution as amended was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. PAYNE, a motion to reconsider the last vote was laid on the table.

#### COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Mr. CANNON. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Appropriations I report the following resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Appropriations, or such of the subcommittee as they may designate, shall have leave to sit during the session of the House during the Fifty-sixth Congress and during the recess.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the resolution? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none.

Mr. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the gentleman from Illinois what recess he refers to?

Mr. CANNON. The ordinary recess that Congress agrees to through the session. In the short session it is necessary for the committee to sit through the recess.

The resolution was agreed to.

#### PRINTING IN THE RECORD.

Mr. BARTHOLDT. Mr. Speaker, I have a petition from the National Brewers' Association, and ask unanimous consent to have it read and printed in the RECORD.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Missouri presents a petition from the National Brewers' Association and asks that it be read and printed in the RECORD. Is there objection?

Mr. RICHARDSON. I object. I do not want to lumber up the RECORD.

#### REGENTS OF THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following appointments as Regents of the Smithsonian Institution: ROBERT R. HITT of Illinois; ROBERT ADAMS, JR., of Pennsylvania; HUGH A. DINSMORE of Arkansas.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. FARIS for three days, on account of important business.

And then (at 12 o'clock and 17 minutes), on motion of Mr. PAYNE, the House, in accordance with its previous order, adjourned until Monday, January 8, at 12 o'clock meridian.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXIV, a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a statement of the delinquencies and indebtedness of sundry officers of the Government in reports and accounts, was taken from the Speaker's table and referred by the Speaker to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Under clause 2 of Rule XIII, private bills and resolutions of the following titles were severally reported from committees, delivered to the Clerk, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House, as follows:

Mr. MAHON, from the Committee on War Claims, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 909) conferring on the Court of Claims jurisdiction with respect to certain claims, reported the same without amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 6); which said bill and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

He also, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 159) for the relief of the estate of George W. Lawrence, reported the same without amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 7); which said bill and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

He also, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 2156) for the relief of Oliver M. Blair, administrator of Thomas P. Blair, deceased, reported the same without amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 8); which said bill and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

Mr. OTJEN, from the Committee on War Claims, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 3020) for the relief of Rev. William T. McElroy, reported the same without amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 9); which said bill and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

Mr. HENRY of Mississippi, from the Committee on War Claims, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 4844) for the relief of the owner or owners of the schooner *Bergen*, reported the same without amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 10); which said bill and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

Mr. MAHON, from the Committee on War Claims, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 231) for the relief of John Dailey, reported the same without amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 11); which said bill and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

Mr. HAUGEN, from the Committee on War Claims, to which was referred House Document No. 183, reported in lieu thereof a bill (H. R. 5264) for the relief of the estate of Maj. Guy Howard, deceased, accompanied by a report (No. 12); which said bill and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

Mr. GIBSON, from the Committee on War Claims, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 3599) for the relief of Lewis M. Millard, reported the same without amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 13); which said bill and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

Mr. WEAVER, from the Committee on War Claims, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 321) for the relief of legal representatives of Samuel Tewksbury, deceased, reported the same without amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 14); which said bill and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

Mr. GIBSON, from the Committee on War Claims, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 1860) for the relief of the trustees of Carson-Newman College, at Mossy Creek, Tenn., reported the same with amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 15); which said bill and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

Mr. SIMS, from the Committee on War Claims, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 2356) for the relief of Hiram Johnson and others, reported the same without amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 16); which said bill and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

Mr. SPALDING, from the Committee on War Claims, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 1959) for the relief of the heirs of George W. Saulpaw, reported the same without amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 17); which said bill and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

Mr. HAUGEN, from the Committee on War Claims, to which was referred the bill of the House (H. R. 427) for the relief of heirs of Mrs. Telliss W. Wilson, reported the same without amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 18); which said bill and report were referred to the Private Calendar.

#### CHANGE OF REFERENCE.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXII, committees were discharged from the consideration of the following bills and petitions; which were referred as follows:

A bill (H. R. 4021) to correct the military record of Albert Boker—Committee on War Claims discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 4116) to correct the military record of Joachim Buenz—Committee on War Claims discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 4119) to correct the military record of Miles Durkee—Committee on War Claims discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 146) for the relief of Warren A. Woodson—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 199) for the relief of Mrs. Katherine Ratchford—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

A bill (H. R. 282) for the relief of Harriet V. Gridley—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 348) for the relief of Peter C. Lawyer—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 392) to pension Mrs. Walter E. Spicer, widow of Walter E. Spicer, late in the postal service of the United States at Guantanamo, Cuba—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 413) for the relief of Arulus C. Parkhurst—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.



A bill (H. R. 553) to increase the pension of Fannie A. Marable—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 693) to grant a pension to John M. Calloway and correct his military record—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 732) granting a pension to Henry Ramey—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 1146) amending the military record of Albert E. Pringle and granting his aged and dependent mother a pension—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 1434) to correct the military records of W. J. Whitson and Sidney Whitson and grant their dependent father, Isaac Whitson, a pension—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 1633) for the relief of Nancy A. E. Hoffman—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 1761) for the relief of Alexander Lucas, of Siola, Marshall County, W. Va.—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 1804) for the relief of Charles Howard—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 1818) for the relief of Allen Greenleaf—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 2131) granting a pension of \$12 per month to Matilda Witt, widow of J. Burgess Witt—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 2143) for the relief of Thomas Hardin, late of Company F, Fifth Tennessee Volunteers, Mexican war—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 2671) granting a pension to Mrs. Mary A. Lipps—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 2734) granting an increase of pension to Dolly L. Harrall, of Hinds County, Miss.—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 2904) to correct the military record of Jesse Brenner—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 3132) to remove the charge of desertion from the military record of John H. Lash—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 3281) to remove the charge of desertion against Edward Hughes and place his name on the pension roll at the rate of \$25 per month—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 3569) granting a pension to Mary Idle—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 3613) for the relief of Dobson Johnson, of Dekalb County, Tenn.—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 3766) granting a pension to Leo Frey—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 4053) for the relief of Mrs. S. E. Edwards—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 4229) to grant an honorable discharge to Lewis Goodrich—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 4368) for the relief of Flora B. Hinds—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 4517) for the relief of Abel Patrick—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 4558) for the relief of Emma Howell—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 4695) granting a pension to Alice Harrison—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 4891) to increase the pension of Mrs. Virginia Forse—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 4984) granting a pension to D. W. Marshall, of Eldorado, Kans.—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 4995) to place on the pension roll the name of John

E. Jefferies—Committee on Invalid Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 144) granting a pension to Mrs. Elcy R. Kelly—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 193) granting an increase of pension to Hester S. Crane—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 394) granting a pension to George W. Vaughn—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 395) for the amendment of the record of James Johnson, late an enlisted man in the United States Navy—Committee on Military Affairs discharged, and referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 396) for amendment of the record of Felix Sellim, late an enlisted man in the United States Navy—Committee on Military Affairs discharged, and referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

A bill (H. R. 406) granting a pension to Emma H. Higley—Committee on Military Affairs discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 588) granting a pension to John Eckland—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 838) to pension Hix Patterson—Committee on Military Affairs discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 1496) granting an increase of pension to Alvin F. Kimball—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 1846) granting a pension to Andrew L. Anderson—Committee on Military Affairs discharged, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 1974) granting a pension to Hannah M. Cheney, of Springfield, Vt.—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 2115) granting a pension to Thomas L. Cate, of Cleveland, Bradley County, Tenn.—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 2481) for the relief of John R. Watson—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 2517) for the relief of George Heishman—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 2611) granting arrears of pension to Pauline M. Beach, widow of Henry S. Beach, deceased, late of Company B, Sixth Regiment Michigan Infantry Volunteers, and First Regiment Michigan Heavy Artillery Volunteers—Committee on Military Affairs discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 2997) granting a pension to Elam Kirk—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 3412) for the relief of John E. Barrett—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on War Claims.

A bill (H. R. 3415) for the relief of Samuel Grunlee—Committee on Military Affairs discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 3437) granting a pension to Elam Kirk—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 3522) for the relief of Lucy S. Bane—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 3706) for the relief of Jerry S. Fish, of Cameron, Marshall County, W. Va.—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 3987) to pension Melvina J. Swigers, widow of Solomon J. Swigers—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 4179) granting a pension to Henry B. Lambe—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 4225) for the relief of Rosa L. Couch—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 4369) to grant pensions to the East Tennessee bridge burners—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 4370) to increase the pension of Annie B. Goodrich—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 2356) for the relief of Hiram Johnson and others—

Committee on Claims discharged, and referred to the Committee on War Claims.

Petitions of the survivors of the One hundred and sixth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry; Post 638, Grand Army of the Republic, and of the Ninth Ohio Volunteer Infantry Association—Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

#### PUBLIC BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND MEMORIALS INTRODUCED.

Under clause 3 of Rule XXII, bills, resolutions, and memorials of the following titles were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. LITTLE: A bill (H. R. 5265) to amend section 715, Revised Statutes of the United States, and for other purposes—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5266) to appropriate the sum of \$55,000 for the repair of the Army and Navy General Hospital at Hot Springs, Ark., and for other purposes—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. JONES of Washington: A bill (H. R. 5267) to amend the provisions of an act entitled "An act making provisions for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898, and for other purposes," providing for the selection of lands in lieu of relinquished claims in forest reservations—to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5268) to amend an act entitled "An act to set aside a portion of certain lands in the State of Washington, now known as the Pacific Forest Reserve, as a public park, to be known as the Mount Rainier National Park"—to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5269) to amend an act entitled "An act to provide additional regulations for homestead and preemption entries for public lands," approved March 3, 1879—to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5270) providing for the erection of a convalescent military hospital at Vancouver Barracks, Wash.—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5271) authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to fix the salaries of the deputy collectors of customs at the subports of Tacoma and Seattle, in the State of Washington, and repealing all laws inconsistent therewith—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BARHAM: A bill (H. R. 5272) to restore to the public domain excluded portions of Round Valley Indian Reservation—to the Committee on the Public Lands.

By Mr. MERCER: A bill (H. R. 5273) to require street railway companies operating electric cars, cable, or other cars propelled by steam, cable, or electricity, in the District of Columbia to protect certain of their employees from the inclemency of the weather during certain months of the year, and providing punishment for violations thereof—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. WILSON of Arizona: A bill (H. R. 5274) fixing the per diem of members of the legislative assembly of the Territory of Arizona at \$8 per day—to the Committee on the Territories.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5275) for the relief of the occupants of the lands included within the boundaries of what is known as the Algodones grant, in Yuma County, Ariz.—to the Committee on the Public Lands.

By Mr. BULL: A bill (H. R. 5276) to establish a light-house on Ohio Reef, in the East Passage of Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. NEEDHAM: A bill (H. R. 5277) for the relief of settlers and purchasers of public lands in the State of California, and to provide for the repayment of purchase money thereof—to the Committee on the Public Lands.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5278) to detach certain counties from the United States judicial district of northern California and to annex such counties to the United States judicial district of southern California; to divide said southern district of California into two divisions and to provide for the holding of terms of court at the city of Fresno and city of Los Angeles—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CUSHMAN: A bill (H. R. 5279) to divide the State of Washington into two judicial districts—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JENKINS: A bill (H. R. 5280) to continue the publication of the Supplement to the Revised Statutes—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5281) to provide for a third edition of the Revised Statutes of the United States—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JACK: A bill (H. R. 5282) to exempt the power of attorney in so-called judgment notes from the operation of the war-

revenue act of June 13, 1898—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BURKE of South Dakota: A bill (H. R. 5283) granting settlers the right to make second homestead entries—to the Committee on the Public Lands.

By Mr. CURTIS: A bill (H. R. 5284) authorizing and directing the Secretary of War to improve the Missouri River at and near the city of Leavenworth, Kans., and for other purposes—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5285) authorizing and directing the Secretary of War to improve the Missouri River on the Kansas side in Doniphan County, Kans., and for other purposes—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5286) for the allotment of unallotted lands belonging to the Seneca and other tribes of Indians in the Quapaw Agency, Ind. T., and for other purposes—to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. BINGHAM: A bill (H. R. 5287) to refund the outstanding United States and Treasury notes with bonds bearing interest at the rate of 2 per cent, and for other purposes—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5288) relating to lights on steam pilot vessels—to the Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

By Mr. TONGUE: A bill (H. R. 5289) to provide for the construction of a public building at Oregon City, Ore.—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. SHAFROTH: A bill (H. R. 5290) to provide for free homes on lands purchased from Indian tribes—to the Committee on the Public Lands.

By Mr. DENNY (by request): A bill (H. R. 5291) to validate deeds in the District of Columbia—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. BERRY: A bill (H. R. 5292) to prescribe a new form of the 3-cent piece—to the Committee on Coinage, Weights, and Measures.

By Mr. DALY of New Jersey: A bill (H. R. 5293) for the protection of the public against the operation of trusts, combinations, associations, and agreements to unduly enhance or diminish the value of articles of commerce—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SULZER: A bill (H. R. 5294) to establish a high court of patents, trade-marks, and copyrights—to the Committee on Patents.

By Mr. DOLLIVER: A bill (H. R. 5295) to repeal an act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States, approved July 1, 1898—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THOMAS of North Carolina: A bill (H. R. 5296) establishing terms of the United States circuit court at Newbern and Elizabeth City, N. C.—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BABCOCK: A bill (H. R. 5297) to amend the act entitled "An act to better define and regulate the rights of aliens to hold and own real estate in the Territories," approved March 2, 1897—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. CUSHMAN: A joint resolution (H. J. Res. 103) proposing an amendment to the Constitution providing for the election of United States Senators by popular vote—to the Committee on Election of President, Vice-President, and Representatives in Congress.

Also, a joint resolution (H. J. Res. 104) for preliminary survey for construction of a portage railway at The Dalles, on the Columbia River, between Oregon and Washington—to the Committee on Railways and Canals.

Also, a joint resolution (H. J. Res. 105) for the improvement of Grays Harbor, Washington, and the repair of Government dikes in that vicinity—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

By Mr. BINGHAM: A joint resolution (H. J. Res. 106) extending the thanks of Congress to Rear-Admiral Sampson and Commodore Schley and the men under them for the destruction of the Spanish fleet at Santiago—to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. WILSON of Idaho: A joint resolution (H. J. Res. 107) to amend the Constitution of the United States relating to uniform marriage and divorce laws and the enforcement thereof by adequate penalties—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BALL: A resolution (H. Res. 69) that the Commissioners of the District of Columbia furnish the House of Representatives full, specific, and definite information as to the right of the Pennsylvania and other railroad corporations to occupy and use the Government grounds, etc.—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. LENTZ: A resolution (H. Res. 70) relative to the appointment of a committee to investigate a matter existing between the United States Treasury and the National City Bank of New York City—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. QUARLES: A resolution (H. Res. 71) expressing sympathy with South African republics—to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. WILSON of Idaho: A memorial of the legislature of the



State of Idaho, favoring the passage of a law by Congress creating the Tenth judicial circuit, having jurisdiction in the States of Montana, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, and Idaho—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, private bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. ALLEN of Kentucky: A bill (H. R. 5298) to remove charge of desertion against Benjamin A. Helm—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. BISHOP: A bill (H. R. 5299) increasing the pension of Joseph McCune—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5300) granting a pension to Ida M. Kinney—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5301) granting an honorable discharge to Ezra Abbott—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. BURKETT: A bill (H. R. 5302) granting a pension to James D. McCann—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5303) granting a pension to Julia A. Prouty, late an army nurse—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5304) to remove the charge of desertion from the military record of Benjamin Wilks—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5305) granting a pension to John S. G. Sperry—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. BARHAM: A bill (H. R. 5306) removing the charge of desertion from the record of Louis W. Mayer—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5307) granting a pension to William J. Abbott—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5308) granting a pension to William Conover—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5309) granting a pension to Cyrus G. Dorris—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5310) granting a pension to John Baptisto Truvido—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5311) for the relief of A. Berding, or A. Berding & Co., of California—to the Committee on Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5312) to remove the charge of desertion from the record of Jacob Rothenbuecher—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5313) granting a pension to Hazel Cramer—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5314) granting a pension to John York—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5315) granting a pension to John J. Fisher—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5316) granting a pension to E. T. M. Hurlbert—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. BARTHOLDT: A bill (H. R. 5317) to correct the date of muster of Company F, Pacific Battalion Missouri Home Guards—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also (by request), a bill (H. R. 5318) for the relief of the heirs or legal representatives of James D. Sullivan, deceased—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. BINGHAM: A bill (H. R. 5319) for the relief of William B. Reaney, surviving partner of the firm of Reaney, Son & Archbold—to the Committee on Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5320) granting an increase of pension to Ellen Young Egbert, widow of Harry C. Egbert, late colonel of the Twenty-second United States Infantry—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5321) to remove the charge of desertion from the naval record of William McGuire—to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN: A bill (H. R. 5322) to remove the charge of desertion from the military record of Nathan Loeb, alias Nathan Lyons, late a private of Company A, Fifteenth Regiment United States Infantry—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5323) to amend the military record of Thomas M. Elliott—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. BROSIUS: A bill (H. R. 5324) for the relief of the employees of William M. Jacobs—to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. CHICKERING: A bill (H. R. 5325) for the relief of Ira Doane—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. CURTIS: A bill (H. R. 5326) granting an increase of pension to Cyrus W. Cook—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5327) granting an increase of pension to James Byrne—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5328) to pension Ida N. Hubbard—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5329) for the relief of Robert Whish—to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5330) granting a pension to Uri S. Keith—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5331) to remove the charge of desertion from the military record of William Wax—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5332) to increase the pension of Sarah B. Trimble—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5333) granting a pension to James L. Scott—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5334) for the relief of D. W. Boutwell—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5335) for the relief of Charles E. Collins—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5336) granting an increase of pension to William S. Swaney—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5337) for the relief of certain officers and enlisted men of the First Kansas Colored Volunteers, and for other purposes—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5338) granting an increase of pension to Madison Snapp—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5339) for the relief of Franklin D. Smith—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5340) granting an increase of pension to John Brown—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5341) granting an increase of pension to George E. Dunn—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5342) granting an honorable discharge to James Coughlin, of North Topeka, Kans.—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5343) granting an increase of pension to Philip H. Clear—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5344) for the relief of J. B. McCall—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5345) for the relief of Solomon F. Brown, of Topeka, Kans.—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5346) granting a pension to Elizabeth B. Norris—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5347) granting a pension to Mrs. E. E. Bay—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. DENNY: A bill (H. R. 5348) for the relief of the estate of Richard Lawson—to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. DE VRIES: A bill (H. R. 5349) to correct the military record of Homer L. Wells—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5350) to remove the charge of desertion now standing against Frank S. Zeller and to grant him an honorable discharge—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5351) to increase the pension of Mrs. Mary Sprague—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5352) for the relief of the heirs of M. H. Wells, deceased, late of Yankee Hill, Butte County, State of California—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5353) for the relief of the heirs of Robert Richardson, deceased, late of Noxubee County, Miss.—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. GILBERT: A bill (H. R. 5354) for the benefit of Thomas W. Caldwell, of Jessamine County, Ky.—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. GAMBLE: A bill (H. R. 5355) for the relief of John D. Hale, of Telford, Meade County, S. Dak.—to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5356) granting a pension to Joshua B. Harris—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5357) for the relief of William H. H. Lee—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5358) granting the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 30, township 17 north, range 3 east, Black Hills meridian, to the Nashville Presbyterian Church, of Nashville, S. Dak.—to the Committee on the Public Lands.

By Mr. HEDGE: A bill (H. R. 5359) granting a pension to Henry J. Alvis—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. HOWELL (by request): A bill (H. R. 5360) for the relief of the legal administrators of Daniel McLeod, deceased, of the South Brooklyn Works—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. HEPBURN (by request): A bill (H. R. 5361) authorizing the appointment of Allen V. Reed, now a captain on the retired list of the Navy, as a commodore on the retired list of the Navy—to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. HAY: A bill (H. R. 5362) for the relief of Daniel Baker, of Frederick County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5363) for the relief of Paul C. Bowman, administrator of Anna C. Bowman, deceased, of Rockingham County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5364) for the relief of Mrs. Vienna Roy, Warren County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5365) for the relief of the estate of Isaac Hurn, of Shenandoah County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5366) for the relief of Jonathan Holler, of Shenandoah County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5367) for the relief of Catharine Flick, of Rockingham County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5368) for the relief of the estate of Benjamin Hoover, deceased, Shenandoah County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5369) for the relief of George W. Thompson, Clarke County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5370) for the relief of the estate of Joseph D. Crabill, deceased, Shenandoah County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5371) for the relief of Samuel H. Sowner, of Shenandoah County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5372) for the relief of Abraham Andes, Rockingham County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5373) for the relief of the estate of Jacob Hammon, deceased, Rockingham County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5374) for the relief of Morris Lutz, of Shenandoah County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5375) for the relief of Jacob Dolman—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5376) for the relief of Mrs. Amelia Downey, of Shenandoah County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5377) for the relief of Joseph Blosser, of Page County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5378) for the relief of the estate of Mary E. Milley, of Shenandoah County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5379) for the relief of David Swartz, of Rockingham County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5380) for the relief of the estate of Gideon Tobin, deceased, of Page County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5381) for the relief of David Ritenour, of Shenandoah County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5382) for relief of John Fox, of Peter, Page County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5383) for the relief of the estate of Samuel Sheetz, deceased, Shenandoah County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. JACK: A bill (H. R. 5384) granting increase of pension to Capt. Daniel W. Dougherty, of Saltsburg, Pa.—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. KNOX: A bill (H. R. 5385) referring to the Court of Claims a certain claim for the use of hook attachments for firearms—to the Committee on Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5386) granting a pension to Emelia H. Parker—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LIVINGSTON: A bill (H. R. 5387) for the relief of Martha J. England—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5388) for the relief of Benjamin Williams—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. LAMB: A bill (H. R. 5389) for the relief of Mrs. Rebecca Bland—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. LOUDENSLAGER: A bill (H. R. 5390) granting a pension to Mrs. Maria E. Mailley—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LLOYD: A bill (H. R. 5391) granting increase of pension to John S. Miles—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. POWERS: A bill (H. R. 5392) for the relief of Salem Vigeant—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. PRINCE: A bill (H. R. 5393) granting a pension to Capt. James W. Haney—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. QUARLES: A bill (H. R. 5394) for the relief of William Crosby, of Augusta County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5395) for the relief of Amanda Lam, administratrix of the estate of James Lam, deceased, of Rockbridge County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5396) for the relief of James A. Snyder, executor of Jacob Snyder, deceased, of Augusta County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5397) for the relief of Mrs. S. M. Cale, of Augusta County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5398) for the relief of David W. Speck, of Augusta County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5399) for the relief of Mrs. Maria D. La Rue, Augusta County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5400) for the relief of James W. Smith, of Augusta County, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5401) for the relief of the estate of Robert J. Hope, deceased, of Staunton, Va.—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. ROBINSON of Nebraska: A bill (H. R. 5402) granting an increase of pension to Robert Moran—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. RICHARDSON: A bill (H. R. 5403) for the relief of William Whittaker, of Warren County, Miss.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5404) for the relief of H. S. Simmons's estate—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5405) for the relief of Mrs. Catherine O'Dea, of Washington, D. C.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5406) to increase the pension of Mrs. N. R. Cooper—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. HENRY C. SMITH: A bill (H. R. 5407) granting an increase of pension to Harriet V. Gridley, widow of the late Charles V. Gridley, captain, United States Navy—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5408) for the relief of Peter Fisher—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5409) for relief of Matthew T. Lewis—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5410) to remove the charge of desertion from record of Robert Mallion—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5411) to remove the charge of desertion from the record of Martin Barley and to place said name upon the pension roll—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5412) to remove the charge of desertion from record of Anthony Remley—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5413) to pension Julia B. Hubble—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5414) to pension Milo Osterhout, Company H, First Regiment Michigan Sharpshooters—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5415) granting a pension to Arminda Marble—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5416) for the relief of Melinda Weisser—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5417) to increase the pension of C. H. Gates—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SCUDDER: A bill (H. R. 5418) for the relief of Gattlieb Schlecht and Maurice D. Higgins, and for the relief of the heirs and legal representatives of William Bindhammer and Valentine Brasch—to the Committee on Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5419) for the relief of certain parties by the refund of moneys paid as customs duties on goods destroyed by fire in a United States bonded warehouse, and to refer said claims to the Court of Claims—to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. SIMS: A bill (H. R. 5420) for the relief of P. E. Parker—to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. SMITH of Kentucky: A bill (H. R. 5421) granting a pension to Barney McKay—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. SHAFROTH: A bill (H. R. 5422) granting an increase of pension to Richard A. Cornell—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5423) granting a pension to Caroline L. Wade—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SNODGRASS: A bill (H. R. 5424) for the relief of George W. Conatzer—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5425) for relief of Ann Bart, widow of William G. Bart, deceased, a soldier in the civil war—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5426) for the relief of Wesley W. Elam, of Overton County, Tenn.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5427) for the relief of John M. B. Walker, of Cumberland County, Tenn.—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5428) for the relief of John M. B. Walker, administrator of the estate of James Walker, deceased—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. TERRY: A bill (H. R. 5429) for the relief of Elvy Brewer, of Saline County, Ark.—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. WANGER: A bill (H. R. 5430) for the relief of the legal representatives of Chalkley Good, deceased—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. ZIEGLER: A bill (H. R. 5431) to increase the pension of Reuben H. Lynch, of Company G, One hundred and twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5432) to remove the charge of desertion from the military record of Joseph Tuckey—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5433) to remove the charge of desertion from



the military record of William R. Cox—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5494) to remove the charge of desertion from the military record of William B. Stone—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5495) to increase the pension of Alexander P. Baugher, of Company G, Two hundred and ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5496) to increase the pension of Joseph K. Armstrong, of Company D, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5497) to increase the pension of Capt. Hiram S. McNair, Third Maryland Cavalry—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. GRAFF: A bill (H. R. 5498) to refer the claim of Joseph W. Parish to the Secretary of the Treasury for examination and payment of any balance found due—to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. MEEKISON: A bill (H. R. 5499) granting a pension to Thomas B. Holland—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5440) granting a pension to Smith Jewell—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5441) granting a pension to Hugh Thompson, Company H, Fifteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. MOON: A bill (H. R. 5442) for the relief of Edward R. Vance—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. NEEDHAM: A bill (H. R. 5443) granting a pension to Mrs. Elizabeth Edwards—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5444) to increase the pension of Albert W. Brush—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 5445) to increase the pension of Joseph Stancliff—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. CUSHMAN: A joint resolution (H. J. Res. 108) for the relief of Thomas Hoyne—to the Committee on Appropriations.

#### PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, the following petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

By Mr. BARTHOLDT: Petition of the United States Brewers' Association, praying for the repeal of the extra tax on beer—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, petition of citizens of St. Louis, Mo., in favor of a modification of the pension laws—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, protest of General Madison Miller Post, No. 444, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, against proposed legislation to pension deserters—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, petition of the Moffitt-West Drug Company, of St. Louis, Mo., urging the repeal of the internal-revenue tax on proprietary medicines—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, petition of the Board of Trade of Kansas City, Mo., in favor of certain amendments to the interstate commerce law—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. BINGHAM: Petition of druggists in the city of Philadelphia, Pa., relating to the stamp tax on medicines—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, petition of the Philadelphia Maritime Exchange, in favor of the passage of Senate bill No. 732, in relation to lights on steam pilot vessels—to the Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

By Mr. CUMMINGS: Petition of 29 clerks employed in the post-office of the city of New York, praying for the passage of the bill providing for the classification of clerks in first and second class post-offices—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

By Mr. DE VRIES: Papers to accompany House bill for the relief of the heirs of M. H. Wells, deceased, late of Yankee Hill, Cal.—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. DRIGGS: Protests of citizens of Brooklyn, N. Y., the "Citizens' Committee," and various business firms of the city of Brooklyn, against making the Brooklyn post-office a station under the control of the New York post-office—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

By Mr. GRAHAM: Petition of the Duquesne Distributing Company, of Pittsburgh, Pa., relating to the stamp tax on medicines—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HALL: Petition of A. B. Hurd and Frank B. Wythe, favoring the passage of House bill No. 4351, for the classification of post-office clerks—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

By Mr. HOWELL: Petition of clerks in the post-offices of Long Branch and Asbury Park, N. J., for the classification of post-office clerks—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

By Mr. LLOYD: Petition of B. R. Dysart and other citizens

of Macon, Mo., asking that the pension of John S. Miles be increased—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LYBRAND: Memorial of the Grand Army of the Republic, in favor of establishing national battlefield parks at and near Fredericksburg, Va.—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. McCLELLAN: Petition of Pond's Extract Company, of New York, asking for the repeal of the stamp tax upon proprietary medicines, etc.—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, petition of clerks employed in the New York City post-office, asking for the passage of the bill No. 4351, for the classification of clerks in the first and second class post-offices—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

By Mr. NEEDHAM: Petition of Oliver G. Haskett and others, of San Diego, Cal., in support of a bill for the relief of the grade known as "pay clerks in the United States Navy"—to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. OTEY: Petition of clerks employed in the post-office at Roanoke, Va., for the classification of clerks in post-offices—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

By Mr. RUCKER: Four petitions of citizens of Grundy County, Mo., asking that the names of soldiers who served in the Missouri State Militia be placed on the pension rolls—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, petition of clerks in the post-offices at Moberly and Chillicothe, Mo., asking for the passage of House bill No. 4351, for the classification of clerks in the first and second class post-offices—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

By Mr. SHATTUC: Petition of the Grand Army of the Republic of Ohio, in favor of adequate provisions for monuments on the national military park at Vicksburg—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. SNODGRASS: Papers to accompany House bills for the relief of John M. B. Walker, administrator of the estate of James Walker, deceased—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. STEELE (by request): Petition of Lizzie Culbertson, of Marion, Ind., for widow's pension—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, petition of J. W. Sumpton and 4 others, of Kokomo, Ind., asking that the pay of post-office clerks be readjusted—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

By Mr. THOMAS of North Carolina: Petition of Rev. F. D. Swindell and others, of Goldsboro, N. C., for the anti-polygamy amendment to the Constitution—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WILSON of Idaho: Resolutions of the city councils of Lewiston, Payette, Nampa, Idaho, board of county commissioners of Latah, Idaho, and of the Lewiston Commercial Club, favoring the construction of a free portage railroad by the Government—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Petitions, etc., against the seating of Brigham H. Roberts as a Representative from Utah were laid on the Clerk's desk, and severally referred to the Special Committee on the B. H. Roberts Case, as follows:

By the SPEAKER: Petition of Mrs. I. W. Douglas and others, of Salem, Ind.

By Mr. CALDERHEAD: Protests of H. D. Brown, D. R. Cooper, J. F. Seibert, B. H. Moore, representing various churches and societies; also protest of D. A. Cooper and others, of the Fifth Congressional district of Kansas.

By Mr. CURTIS: Petition of W. M. Swickard and other citizens of Topeka, Kans.

By Mr. GRAHAM: Petition of Robert H. Leitch and other citizens of the Second Ward, Allegheny, Pa.

By Mr. HALL: Petition of F. M. Small and other citizens of Rimersburg, Pa.

By Mr. HOFFECKER: Resolutions of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church of Newark, Del., Woman's Home Missionary Society of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church of Wilmington, Del., Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Wilmington Annual Conference; also petitions of voters in the State of Delaware, and Z. J. Belt and others, of Wilmington, Del.

By Mr. JACK: Petition of D. E. Ackard and other citizens of Kittanning, Pa.

By Mr. LITTAUER: Petition of 40 citizens of Gloversville, N. Y., and vicinity.

By Mr. RICHARDSON: Petitions of T. J. Stricklin and others, J. B. Eshman and others, W. S. Crawford and others, F. R. Miller and others, of the Fifth Congressional district of Tennessee.

By Mr. ROBINSON of Indiana: Petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Fremont, Ind.

By Mr. ROBINSON of Nebraska: Three protests of citizens of the Third Congressional district of Nebraska.

By Mr. WILSON of Idaho: Protests of 104 citizens of the State of Idaho, and D. O. Ghormley and others, of the State of Utah.

By Mr. ZIEGLER: Petitions of citizens of the Nineteenth Congressional district of Pennsylvania.